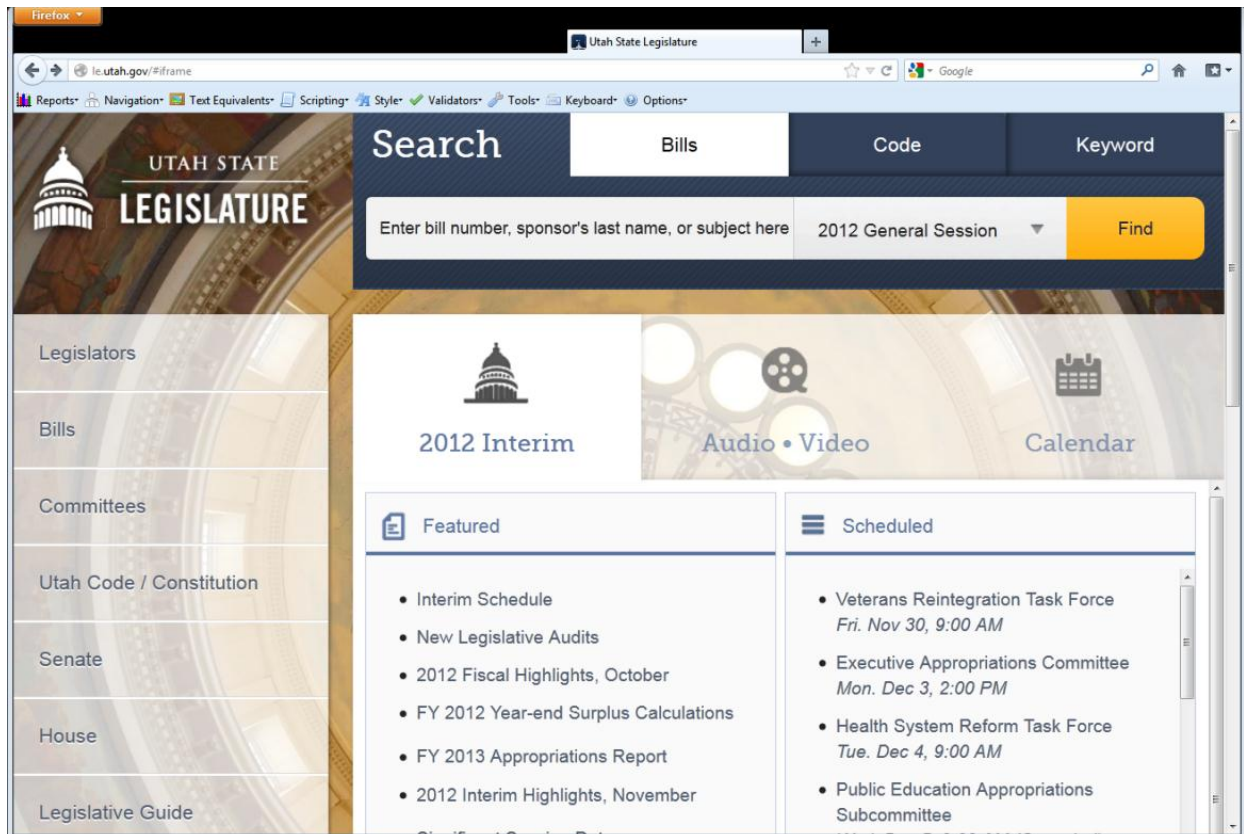


A New Look for the UTAH STATE LEGISLATURE WEBSITE . . . <http://le.utah.gov>

Legislative Information Online – Current and Historical: With our new legislative website, there are more options to find Utah legislative information than ever before and ways to find it quickly, not to mention the handsome design.

The Home Page



Newest features:

The Utah State Legislature has been winning awards since 1998 for 1) information access, 2) easy navigation, and 3) simplicity in design. To keep up to date with ever changing technology in addition to the technological savvy of citizens and how they want information provided, we are constantly reevaluating our site. Some of our newest features are listed below.

The “Search” box at the top of the home page allows you to easily search for:

- bills by number, sponsor’s last name, subject, and by year;
- Utah Code sections by citation (Title, Chapter, and Section); and
- anything posted on the entire site from 1990-current by keyword.

Frequently used information labeled in the three large tabs below the Search box:

- Interim or Session with Featured items, Scheduled activities, and Now (live activity);
- Audio • Video with all streaming, live and archived, for sessions and committees; and
- Calendar in week or month views with color coded proceedings and links to all the information.

Audio • Video

The screenshot shows the 'Audio • Video' tab selected. On the left is a sidebar with navigation links: Legislators, Bills, Committees, Utah Code / Constitution, Senate, House, Legislative Guide, Publications, Legislative Histories, Staff Offices, and Links of Interest. The main content area is titled '2012 Proceedings' and includes filters for 'Select a Category' (All) and 'Select a Committee' (All). Below these are expandable sections for 'Live Proceedings' with a 'Help with streaming' link. The list shows various committees and their meeting dates, times, and rooms, with links to agendas.

Name	Date	Room	
November 30, 2012			
Veterans Reintegration Task Force	November 30, 2012 - 9:00 AM	C445	Agenda
December 03, 2012			
December 04, 2012			
December 05, 2012			
Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee-CANCELLED	December 05, 2012 - 9:00 AM	W325	Agenda
Senate Judicial Confirmation Committee	December 05, 2012 - 12:00 PM	C450	Agenda
December 06, 2012			
December 11, 2012			
Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee	December 11, 2012 - 8:30 AM	C445	
Executive Appropriations Committee-CANCELLED	December 11, 2012 - 1:30 PM	W325	Agenda
December 17, 2012			
Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel	December 17, 2012 - 9:00 AM	C250	Agenda
Health System Reform Task Force	December 17, 2012 - 1:00 PM	W030	

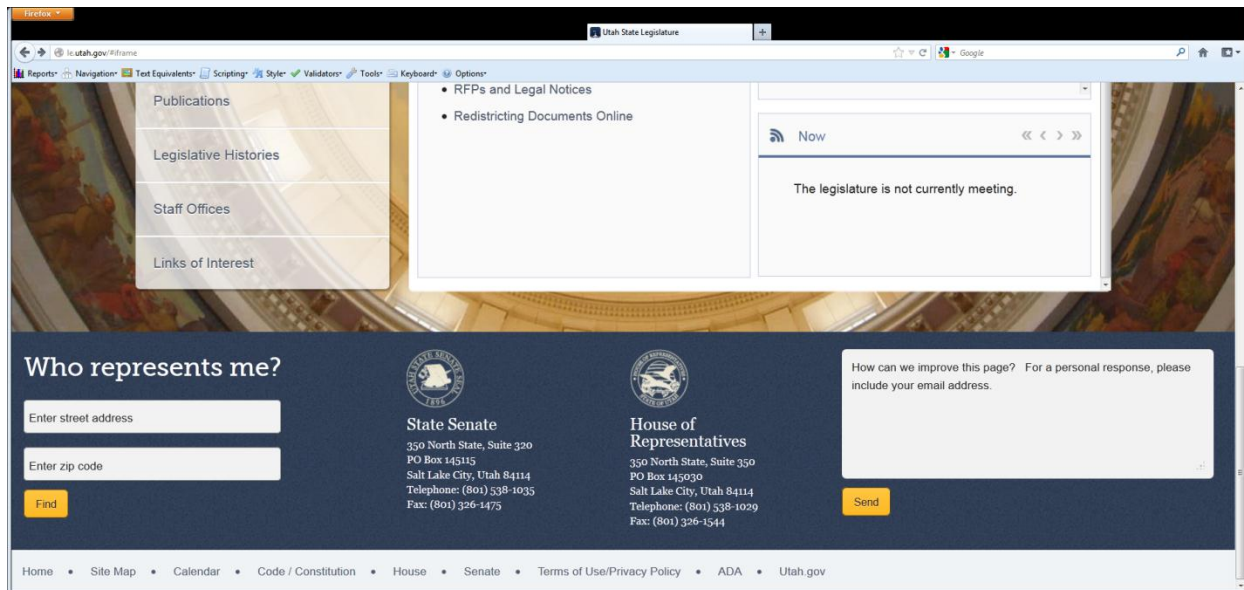
Calendar

The screenshot shows the 'Calendar' tab selected. The sidebar is identical to the previous view. The main content area displays a weekly calendar for December 2012, with navigation for 'Last Week', 'December 2012', and 'Next Week'. The calendar shows meetings for various committees, with some marked as 'REVISED' or 'CANCELLED'. A legend at the bottom indicates that blue boxes represent 'Past Meetings', green boxes represent 'Current Meetings', and red boxes represent 'Future Meetings'. There are also links to 'Minimize All Days', 'Expand All Days', and 'View Month'.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Executive Appropriations Committee 2:00 PM	4 Health System Reform Task Force 9:00 AM	5 Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee 9:00 AM Senate Judicial Confirmation Committee 12:00 PM	6 Economic Development Task Force 8:00 AM	7

Displayed on the bottom of the home page are ways for you to:

- [find legislators](#) who represent you;
- [find Senate and House](#) information;
- [link to other important information](#); and
- [provide feedback](#) to help us continually improve our site.



Looking for a bill or bill request?

Use the “Search” feature (top of home page) that allows you to easily enter key words, a bill number, or sponsor's name, select the desired session from the pull down menu, and click on the yellow “find” button to see results.

Click on “Bills” (left column) to search for a bill by number or key word that will display results back to 1990. This is helpful when you're not quite sure which session the bill was introduced or passed.

From the Bills page you can also search "Bills/Bill Requests" by year, subject, sponsor, committee, and introduced or passed bills. Display results include years 1997-forward.

Click on “Bills” (left column) then “Passed Bills” for a list of all bills passed in any session (1998-forward) with sortable columns headings for chapter numbers, effective dates, sponsors, vetoed bills, and governor's actions, and links to detailed bill information.

Looking for a codified law?

Use the “Search” feature (top of home page) to enter a citation (i.e., 36-12-12) and click on the yellow “find” button.

Click on the “Utah Code/Constitution” (left column) and use "Keyword Search" or "Title/Chapter/Section." Entire titles, chapters, and sections are downloadable, including future titles with effective dates.

Looking for a legislator's votes?

Votes are found on each bill document page under "Bill Status/Votes." Click on the “vote” to see the House or Senate Journal page that lists a legislator's yea or nay vote and a legislator's name if absent for a vote.

Want to track bills during session?

Click on “Bills” (left column) then “Tracking Service.” At the bottom of the tracking page is an option to subscribe to WebWatch for any number of email updates to bills, including status, text, and fiscal notes.

Click on "Reading Calendars" for a real time tool that provides detailed information about each bill as it is debated in the House and/or Senate Chamber.

Looking for floor debates and committee hearings?

Click on the **Audio • Video** tab and select the desired link (by date or committee) to watch or listen to live or archived streaming of committee meetings and floor debates for 2012–forward.

Archived House and Senate floor debates 1990–2011 are found under "Legislative Histories" (left column).

Live and archived audio of committee hearings is accessible from each committee page and on the home page from the **Audio • Video** tab. Archived audio is available from July 2005–forward on committee pages.

Looking for committee meeting information?

See the Calendar and **Audio • Video** tabs or "Committees" (left column). For historical information (1990–forward) click on "Legislative Histories" (left column) then on the "Interim Committee Histories."

Customize your own reports?

Create your own customized report of any interim committee (2009–forward) by clicking on "Customized Report" at the top of the selected committee page. Use multiple content options such as committee, year, study item, committee overview, study item background, meeting actions, and recommended legislation.

You may also customize a report for bills. Go to "Bills" (left column), select "Bills/Bill Requests" and click on "Customize a Printable Report" in the top right corner. Multiple content and formatting options are available for bills 1997–forward.

Need to research legislative history or intent?

All legislative histories 1990–forward are online. Click on "Legislative Histories." A trip to the Research Center of the Utah State Archives and Utah State History may be necessary for histories prior to 1990. The "Legislative History Resources" document is helpful in determining where to find historical information.

Need a list of sections affected for a legislative session?

Under "Bills" select "Passed Bills" and select any year 1998–ongoing to view the "Sections Affected" document. The document lists all sections of the Utah Code that have been enacted, amended, repealed, and renumbered, excepting sections affected by Sunset dates.

Looking for a legislative publication?

See "Publications" (left column). A comprehensive database has been created to allow searching for any legislative publication, whether it be an audit, budget report, presentation, or newsletter, to name a few.

Looking for the basics?

Click on "Citizen's Guide" (left column). It is broken into several categories providing basic information about the legislature. A more comprehensive description of the legislature, executive, and judicial branches of government is found in *Utah State Government — A Citizen's Guide*, produced by the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel and available in Legislative Printing.

What's coming?

Stay tuned. A team of legislative staff, with each office represented, is constantly updating our website.